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Sir:

Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, namely claims 1-36, 39, and 173-174 drawn to a system for detecting an analyte, without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application at a later date capturing the subject matter recited in claims 40-68 and 175.

If any extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any fees are inadvertently omitted or if any additional fees are required, please charge those fees to Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5119-00501/EBM

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